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3 Can two walk together, except they be agreed?^a

4 Will a lion roar^b in the forest, when he hath no prey? will a young lion^c cry out of his den, if he have taken nothing?

5 Can a bird fall in a snare^c upon the earth, where no gin is for him? shall one take up a snare from the earth, and have taken nothing at all?

6 Shall a trumpet be blown in the city, and the people not^e be afraid? shall^e there be evil in a city, and the LORD hath not done it?

7 Surely the Lord God will do nothing, but he revealeth^f his secret unto his servants the prophets.

8 The lion^g hath roared, who will not fear? the Lord God hath spoken,^h who can but prophesy?

9 Publish in the palaces at Ashdod, and in the palaces in the land of Egypt, and say, Assemble yourselves upon the mountains of Samaria, and behold the great tumults in the midst thereof, and theⁱ oppressed in the midst thereof.

10 For they know not^j to do right, saith the LORD, who store up violence and robbery in their palaces.

11 Therefore thus saith the Lord God, An adversary^k there shall be even round about the land; and he shall bring down thy strength from thee, and thy palaces shall be spoiled.

12 Thus saith the LORD, As the shepherd^l taketh out of the mouth of the lion two legs, or a piece of an ear; so^m shall the children of Israel be taken out that dwell in Samaria in the corner of a bed, andⁿ in Damascus in a couch.

13 Hear ye, and testify in the house of Jacob, saith the Lord God, the God of hosts,

14 That in the day that I shall^o visit the transgressions of Israel upon him, I will also visit the altars of Beth-el;^p and the horns of the altar shall be cut off, and fall to the ground.

15 And I will smite the winter house^q with the summer house;^r and the houses of ivory^s shall perish, and the great houses shall have an end, saith the LORD.

CHAPTER IV.

HEAR this word, ye kine^t of Bashan, that are in the mountain of Samaria, which oppress the poor, which crush the needy, which say to their masters, Bring, and let us drink.

2 The Lord God hath sworn by his holiness,^u that, lo, the days shall come upon you, that he will take you away with hooks,^v and your posterity with fishhooks.

3 And ye shall go out at the breaches,^w every cow at that which is before her; and ye shall^x cast them into the palace, saith the LORD.

4 Come to Beth-el,^y and transgress; at Gilgal^z multiply transgression; and bring your sacrifices^{aa} every morning, and your tithes^{ab} after three years;

5 And offer^{ac} a sacrifice of thanksgiving^{ad} with leaven, and proclaim and publish the free offerings;^{ae} for^{af} thus liketh you,^{ag} O ye children of Israel, saith the Lord God.

6 And I have given you cleanness of teeth in all your cities, and want^{ah} of bread in all your places; yet have ye not returned unto me, saith the LORD.

7 And also I have withholden the rain from you, when there were yet three

B. C. 787.

a 2 Co. 6. 14, 15

b Ps. 104. 21.

c Give forth

his voice.

d Ec. 9. 12.

e De. 28. 22.

f or, run to-

gether.

g Is. 45. 7.

h or, the mul-

titude of.

i or, and

shall not

the LORD

do some-

what?

j Je. 5. 3.

k Ge. 6. 13.

l 18. 17.

m Ps. 25. 14.

n John 15. 15.

o Re. 5. 5.

p or, in the

way.

q De. 28. 27, 60

r Je. 20. 9.

s 1 Co. 9. 13.

t with the

captivity

of.

u 2 Ki. 13. 7.

v or, oppres-

sions.

w Ge. 19. 24, 25

x Zec. 3. 2.

y Jude 23.

z Je. 4. 22.

aa or, spoil.

ab 2 Ki. 17. 3, 6.

ac 18. 9, 11.

ad Eze. 13. 5.

ae Mat. 25. 13.

af or, spirit.

ag Da. 2. 28.

ah delivereth.

ai Ro. 11. 4, 5.

aj or, on the

bed's feet.

ak or, punish

Israel for.

al La. 2. 13.

am Ho. 10. 14.

an 15.

ao Je. 36. 22.

ap Ju. 3. 20.

aq 1 Ki. 22. 39.

ar Is. 55. 6, 7.

as Ps. 22. 12.

at chap. 4. 4.

au Ps. 89. 35.

av Je. 16. 16.

aw Eze. 12. 5, 12.

ax or, east

away the

things of.

d chap. 3. 14.

e Ho. 4. 15.

f 12. 11.

g Nu. 28. 3, 4.

h De. 14. 28.

i years of

days.

j or, spoilt.

k by burning.

l Le. 7. 13.

m Le. 22. 19, 21.

n so ye love.

o Is. 29. 21.

p Mat. 23. 23.

q Eze. 16. 27.

r vineyards

of desire.

months to the harvest: and I caused it to rain upon one city, and caused it not to rain upon another city: one piece was rained upon, and the piece whereupon it rained not withered.

8 So two or three cities wandered unto one city, to drink water; but they were not satisfied: yet have ye not returned unto me, saith the LORD.

9 I have smitten you with blasting^d and mildew:^e when your gardens and your vineyards, and your fig trees, and your olive trees increased, the palmerworm devoured them: yet^f have ye not returned unto me, saith the LORD.

10 I have sent among you the pestilence^g after^h the manner of Egypt: your young men have I slain with the sword, and have taken away your horses; and I have made the stink of your camps to come up unto your nostrils; yet have ye not returned unto me, saith the LORD.

11 I have overthrown some of you, as God overthrew Sodomⁱ and Gomorrah, and ye were as a firebrand^m plucked out of the burning: yet have ye not returned unto me, saith the LORD.

12 Therefore thus will I do unto thee, O Israel: and because I will do this unto thee, prepareⁿ to meet thy God, O Israel.

13 For, lo, he that formeth the mountains, and createth the^o wind, and declareth unto man what is his thought,^q that maketh the morning darkness, and treadeth upon the high places of the earth, The LORD, The God of hosts, is his name.

CHAPTER V.

HEAR ye this word which I take up against you, even a lamentation, O house of Israel.

2 The virgin^r of Israel is fallen; she shall no more rise: she is forsaken upon her land; there is none to raise her up.

3 For thus saith the Lord God, The city that went out by a thousand shall leave an hundred, and that which went forth by an hundred shall leave ten, to the house of Israel.

4 For thus saith the LORD unto the house of Israel, Seek^s ye me, and ye shall live:

5 But seek not Beth-el,^t nor enter into Gilgal, and pass not to Beer-sheba: for Gilgal shall surely go into captivity, and Beth-el shall come to nought.

6 Seek the LORD, and ye shall live; lest he break out like fire in the house of Joseph, and devour it, and there be none to quench it in Beth-el.

7 Ye who turn judgment to wormwood, and leave off righteousness in the earth,

8 Seek him that maketh the seven stars and Orion, and turneth the shadow of death into the morning, and maketh the day dark with night: that calleth for the waters of the sea, and poureth them out upon the face of the earth: The LORD is his name:

9 That strengtheneth the^u spoiled against the strong, so that the spoiled shall come against the fortress.

10 They hate^v him that rebuketh in the gate, and they abhor him that speaketh uprightly.

11 Forasmuch, therefore, as your treading is upon the poor, and ye take from him burdens of wheat; ye have built houses of hewn stone, but ye shall not dwell in them; ye have planted^w pleasant vineyards, but ye shall not drink wine of them.

12 For I know your manifold transgressions and your mighty sins: they afflict the just,^b they take a ^β bribe,^c and they turn aside^d the poor in the gate *from their right*.

13 Therefore the prudent shall keep silence^e in that time; for it is an evil time.

14 Seek good,^h and not evil, that ye may live; and so the LORD, the God of hosts, shall be with you, as ye have spoken.

15 Hate the evil, and love the good, and establish judgment in the gate: itⁱ may be that the LORD God of hosts will be gracious unto the remnant of Joseph.

16 Therefore the LORD, the God of hosts, the LORD, saith thus, *Wailing shall be in all streets*; and they shall say in all the highways, *Alas! alas!* and they shall call the husbandman to mourning, and such^j as are skilful of lamentation to wailing.

17 And in all vineyards *shall be wailing*: for I will pass through thee, saith the LORD.

18 Woe unto you that desire the day of the LORD! to what end is it for you? the day^k of the LORD is darkness, and not light.

19 As if a man did flee from a lion, and a bear met him; or went into the house, and leaned his hand on the wall, and a serpent bit him.

20 *Shall not the day of the LORD be darkness, and not light? even very dark, and no brightness in it?*

21 I hate, I despise your feast days, and I will not smell^l in your solemn assemblies.

22 Though ye offer me burnt offerings and your meat offerings, I^m will not accept them: neither will I regard the ^λ peace offerings of your fat beasts.

23 Take thou away from me the noise of thy songs; for I will not hear the melody of thy viols.

24 Butⁿ let judgment ^μ run down as waters, and righteousness as a mighty stream.

25 Have ye offered unto me sacrifices^v and offerings in the wilderness forty years, O house of Israel?

26 But ye have borne ^π the tabernacle of your Moloch and Chiun your images, the star of your god, which ye made to yourselves.

27 Therefore will I cause you to go into captivity beyond^ρ Damascus, saith the LORD, whose name is The God of hosts.

CHAPTER VI.

WOE to them that are ^ρ at ease^z in Zion, and trust in the mountain of Samaria, which are named ^σ chief^a of the nations, to whom the house of Israel came!

2 Pass ye unto Calneh,^b and see; and from thence go ye to Hamath the great: then go down to Gath of the Philistines: *be they better than these kingdoms? or their border greater than your border?*

3 Ye that put far away^c the evil day, and cause the ^τ seat of violence to come near;

4 That lie upon beds of ivory, and ^φ stretch themselves upon their couches, and eat the lambs out of the flock, and the calves out of the midst of the stall;

5 That ^χ chant to the sound of the viol,^k and invent to themselves instruments of music, like David;^l

6 That drink ^ψ wine in bowls, and anoint themselves with the chief ointments; but they are not grieved for the ^β affliction of Joseph.^m

7 Therefore now shall they go captive with the first that go captive, and the banquet of them that stretched themselves shall be removed.

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^a Je. 51. 14.

^b Ja. 5. 6.

^β or, ransom.

^c Ps. 26. 9, 10.

^d Ps. 106. 40.

^e Ps. 47. 4.

^f Is. 29. 21.

^γ the fulness thereof.

^g chap. 6. 10.

^h Ec. 3. 7.

ⁱ Is. 55. 2.

^j Ex. 32. 30.

^k 2 Ki. 19. 4.

^l Joel 2. 14.

^m chap. 5. 13.

^δ or, they will not, or, have not.

^l Je. 9. 17, 19.

^ζ droppings.

ⁿ chap. 5. 7.

^o Joel 2. 2.

^p Zep. 1. 14, 15.

^q Ho. 10. 4.

^r Je. 5. 15.

^s Nu. 34. 8.

^t 1 Ki. 8. 65.

^η or, valley.

^θ or, your holy days.

^κ or, green worms.

^r Is. 1. 11, 15.

^h Ho. 8. 13.

^λ or, thank offerings.

^s Mi. 6. 8.

^μ roll.

^t Da. 9. 19.

^v or, who of, or, for, Jacob shall stand?

^z Zec. 4. 10.

^v De. 32. 17.

^e Eze. 20. 8, 24.

^w De. 32. 36.

^j Jon. 3. 10.

^π or, Sicuth your king.

^z He. 1. 7.

^y 2 Ki. 17. 6.

^ρ or, secure.

^z 1 Pe. 5. 7.

^σ or, first-fruits.

^a La. 1. 1.

^b Is. 10. 9.

^c La. 2. 8.

^d Mi. 7. 18.

^e Eze. 12. 27.

^f Beer-sheba.

^g Ge. 26. 25.

⁴⁶ 1.

^τ or, habitation.

^φ or, abound with superfluities.

^g Fulfilled,

² Ki. 15. 10.

^h 1 Ki. 12. 32.

ⁱ 2 Ki. 14. 23.

^x or, quaver.

^k Is. 5. 12.

^l 1 Ch. 23. 5.

^ψ or, in bowls of wine.

^β breach.

^m Ge. 49. 23.

8 The LORD GOD hath sworn by himself,^a saith the LORD, the God of hosts, I abhor^d the excellency^e of Jacob, and hate his palaces: therefore will I deliver up the city, with ^γ all that is therein.

9 And it shall come to pass, if there remain ten men in one house, that they shall die.

10 And a man's uncle shall take him up, and he that burneth him, to bring out the bones out of the house, and shall say unto him that is by the sides of the house, *Is there yet any with thee?* and he shall say, No. Then shall he say, Hold^k thy tongue; for ^δ we may not make mention of the name of the LORD.

11 For, behold, the LORD commandeth, and he will smite the great house with ^β breaches, and the little house with clefts.

12 Shall horses run upon the rock? will one plow there with oxen? for ye have turned judgment^m into gall, and the fruit of righteousness into hemlock:^o

13 Ye which rejoice in a thing of nought, which say, Have we not taken to us horns by our own strength?

14 But, behold, I will raise^p up against you a nation, O house of Israel, saith the LORD, the God of hosts; and they shall afflict you from the entering in of Hemath unto^q the ^ν river of the wilderness.

CHAPTER VII.

THUS hath the Lord GOD shewed unto me; and, behold, he formed ^κ grasshoppers in the beginning of the shooting up of the latter growth; and, lo, it was the latter growth after the king's mowings.

2 And it came to pass, that when they had made an end of eating the grass of the land, then I said, O Lord GOD, forgive, I beseech thee; ^ν by whom shall Jacob arise? for he is small.^u

3 The LORD repented^w for this: It shall not be, saith the LORD.

4 Thus hath the Lord GOD shewed unto me; and, behold, the Lord GOD called to contend by fire,^z and it devoured the great deep, and did eat up a part.

5 Then said I, O Lord GOD, cease, I beseech thee; by whom shall Jacob arise? for he is small.

6 The LORD repented for this: This also shall not be, saith the Lord GOD.

7 Thus he shewed me; and, behold, the LORD stood upon a wall made by a plumb-line, with a plumb-line in his hand.

8 And the LORD said unto me, Amos, what seest thou? And I said, A plumb-line. Then said the LORD, Behold, I will set a plumb-line^c in the midst of my people Israel: I will not again pass by them^d any more:

9 And the high places^f of Isaac shall be desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste; and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword.^g

10 Then Amaziah, the priest^h of Beth-el, sent to Jeroboamⁱ king of Israel, saying, Amos hath conspired against thee in the midst of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words.

11 For thus Amos saith, Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel shall surely be led away captive out of their own land.

12 Also Amaziah said unto Amos, O thou seer, go, flee thee away into the land of Judah, and there eat bread, and prophesy there:

13 But prophesy not again any more at

the diviners confounded: yea, they shall all cover^a their ^bslips; for^b there is no answer of God.

8 But truly I am full of power^c by the spirit of the LORD, and of judgment, and of might, to declare^d unto Jacob his transgression, and to Israel his sin.

9 Hear this, I pray you, ye heads of the house of Jacob, and princes of the house of Israel, that abhor judgment, and pervert all equity.

10 They^d build up Zion with ^eblood, and Jerusalem with iniquity.

11 The heads thereof judge for reward, and the priests thereof teach for^m hire, and the prophets thereof divine for money; yet will they lean upon the LORD, and say, Is^e not the LORD among us? none evil can come upon us.

12 Therefore shall Zion for your sake be plowed as a field, and^e Jerusalem shall become heaps, and the mountain of the house as the high places of the forest.^e

CHAPTER IV.

BUT^a in the last days it shall come to pass, that the mountain of the house of the LORD shall be established in the^b top of the mountains, and it shall be exalted above the hills; and people shall flow unto it.

2 And many nations shall come, and say, Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, and to the house of the God of Jacob; and^w he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths; for the law shall go forth of Zion, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

3 And he shall judge among many people, and rebuke strong nations afar off; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into ^apruninghooks; and nation shall not lift up a sword against nation, neither^e shall they learn war any more.

4 But^a they shall sit every man under his vine and under his fig tree; and none shall make them afraid: for the mouth of the LORD of hosts hath spoken it.

5 For all^c people will walk every one in the name of his god, and we^d will walk in the name of the LORD our God for ever and ever.

6 In that day, saith the LORD, will I assemble^c her that halteth,^d and I will gather^e her that is driven out, and her that I have afflicted;

7 And I will make her that halted a remnant, and her that was cast far off a strong nation; and the LORD shall^a reign over them in mount Zion from henceforth, even for ever.

8 And thou, O towerⁱ of ^mthe flock, the strong hold of the daughter of Zion, unto thee shall it come, even the first dominion;^k the kingdom shall come to the daughter of Jerusalem.

9 Now why dost thou cry out aloud?ⁱ isⁱ there no king in thee? is thy counselor perished? for pangs have taken thee as a woman in travail.

10 Be in pain, and labour to bring^o forth, O daughter of Zion, like a woman in travail: for now shalt thou go forth out of the city, and thou shalt dwell in the field, and thou shalt go even to Babylon; there^e shalt thou be delivered; there the LORD shall redeem thee from the hand of thine enemies.

11 Now^a also many nations are gathered

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^a Le. 13. 45.^b Supper tip.^c Ps. 74. 9.^d Am. 8. 11.^e Ob. 12.^f Is. 55. 8.^g Je. 29. 11.^h Ro. 11. 33, 34.ⁱ Mar. 3. 17.^j Lu. 3. 17.^k Is. 58. 1.^l Is. 41. 15, 16.^m Is. 33. 25.ⁿ Da. 2. 44.^o Je. 22. 13.^p y bloods.^q Mal. 1. 10.^r 1 Pe. 5. 2.^s Mat. 27. 30.^t s saying.^u Mat. 3. 9.^v Ro. 2. 17, &c.^w Mat. 2. 6.^x Ps. 79. 1.^y Ge. 49. 10.^z Ps. 107. 34.^{aa} s the days of eternity.^{ab} Jno. 8. 22, 23.^{ac} Jno. 1. 1.^{ad} Col. 1. 17.^{ae} Is. 2. 2, &c.^{af} Eze. 17. 22.^{ag} 24.^{ah} Ps. 72. 16.^{ai} or, rule.^{aj} Ho. 6. 3.^{ak} Zec. 9. 10.^{al} Ep. 2. 14.^{am} s princes of.^{an} eat up.^{ao} or, scythes.^{ap} or, with her own^{aq} swords.^{ar} Lu. 1. 74.^{as} Ps. 72. 7.^{at} 1 Ki. 4. 25.^{au} Zec. 3. 10.^{av} De. 32. 2.^{aw} Je. 2. 11.^{ax} Zec. 10. 12.^{ay} Col. 2. 6.^{az} Eze. 34. 13.^{ba} 17.^{bb} Zep. 3. 19.^{bc} Ps. 38. 17.^{bd} He. 12. 12.^{be} 13.^{bf} Ps. 147. 2.^{bg} or, goats.^{bh} Is. 9. 6, 7.^{bi} Da. 7. 14, 27.^{bj} Lu. 1. 33.^{bk} Re. 11. 15.^{bl} Ps. 48. 12, 13.^{bm} or, Edar.^{bn} Ge. 35. 21.^{bo} Re. 22. 5.^{bp} Je. 8. 19.^{bq} Is. 2. 6, 8.^{br} Re. 22. 15.^{bs} Zec. 13. 2.^{bt} Is. 66. 7, 8.^{bu} or, statues.^{bv} Ho. 1. 10.^{bw} or, enemies.^{bx} 2 Th. 1. 8.^{by} La. 2. 16.

against thee, that say, Let her be defiled, and let our eye look^c upon Zion.

12 But they know not^d the thoughts of the LORD, neither understand they his counsel: for he shall gather^e them as the sheaves into the floor.

13 Arise, and thresh,^a O daughter of Zion: for I will make thine horn iron, and I will make thy hoofs brass;ⁱ and thou shalt beat in pieces^k many people; and I will consecrate their gain unto the LORD, and their substance unto the LORD of the whole earth.

CHAPTER V.

NOW gather thyself in troops, O daughter of troops; he hath laid siege against us; they shall smite^e the judge of Israel with a rod upon the cheek.

2 But^a thou, Beth-lehem Ephratah, though thou be little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of thee shall he come forth unto me that is to be ruler^b in Israel; whose goings forth have been from of old, from everlasting.^c

3 Therefore will he give them up, until the time that she which travaileth hath brought forth; then the remnant of his brethren shall return unto the children of Israel.

4 And he shall stand and feed in the strength of the LORD, in the majesty of the name of the LORD his God; and they shall abide: for now shall he be great unto the ends of the earth.

5 And this man shall be the^a peace, when the Assyrian shall come into our land; and when he shall tread in our palaces, then shall we raise against him seven shepherds, and eight^b principal men.

6 And they shall waste the land of Assyria with the sword, and the land of Nimrod^a in the entrances thereof: thus shall he^b deliver us from the Assyrian, when he cometh into our land, and when he treadeth within our borders.

7 And the remnant of Jacob shall be in the midst of many people, as a^b dew from the LORD, as the showery upon the grass, that tarrieth not for man, nor waiteth for the sons of men.

8 And the remnant of Jacob shall be among the Gentiles in the midst of many people, as a lion among the beasts of the forest, as a young lion among the flocks of^c sheep; who, if he go through, both treadeth down, and teareth in pieces, and none can deliver.

9 Thine hand shall be lifted up upon thine adversaries, and all thine enemies shall be cut off.

10 And it shall come to pass in that day, saith the LORD, that I will cut off thy horses out of the midst of thee, and I will destroy thy chariots:

11 And I will cut off the cities of thy land, and throw down all thy strong holds:

12 And I will cut off witchcrafts out of thine hand; and thou shalt have no more soothsayers;^a

13 Thy graven images also^a will I cut off, and thy standing images out of the midst of thee; and thou shalt no more worship the work of thine hands:

14 And I will pluck up thy groves out of the midst of thee; so will I destroy thy^c cities.

15 And I will execute vengeance^c in anger and fury upon the heathen, such as they have not heard.

CHAPTER VI.

HEAR ye now what the LORD saith; Arise, contend thou ^β before the mountains,^a and let the hills hear thy voice.

2 Hear ye, O mountains, the LORD's controversy, and ye strong foundations of the earth: for ^β the LORD hath a controversy with his people, and he will plead with Israel.

3 O my people, what^c have I done unto thee? and wherein have I wearied thee? testify against me.

4 For I brought^e thee up out of the land of Egypt, and redeemed thee out of the house of servants; and I sent before thee Moses, Aaron, and Miriam.

5 O my people, remember now what Balak^f king of Moab consulted, and what Balaam the son of Beor answered him from Shittim unto Gilgal; that ye may know the righteousness^h of the LORD.

6 Wherewith shall I come before the LORD, and bow myself before the high God? shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves ^δ of a year old?

7 Willⁱ the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams, or with ten thousands of rivers of oil? shall I give my firstbornⁿ for my transgression, the fruit of my ^ζ body for the sin of my soul?

8 He hath shewed thee, O man, what is good; and what^v doth the LORD require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to ^θ walk humbly with thy God?

9 The LORD's voice crieth unto the city, and ^λ the man of wisdom shall see thy name: hear ye the rod, and who hath appointed it.

10 ^μ Are there yet the treasures of wickedness in the house of the wicked, and the ^νscout measure that is abominable?^r

11 Shall I ^ρcount them pure with the wicked balances, and with the bag of deceitful weights?

12 For the rich men thereof are full of violence, and the inhabitants thereof have spoken lies, and their tongue is deceitful in their mouth.

13 Therefore also will I make thee sick in smiting thee, in making thee desolate^t because of thy sins.

14 Thou shalt eat, but not be satisfied; and thy casting down shall be in the midst of thee; and thou shalt take hold, but shalt not deliver; and that which thou deliverest will I give up to the sword.

15 Thou^u shalt sow, but thou shalt not reap; thou shalt tread the olives, but thou shalt not anoint thee with oil; and sweet wine, but shalt not drink wine.

16 For ^φ the statutes of Omri^w are kept, and all the works of the house of Ahab, and ye walk in their counsels; that I should make thee a ^ψdesolation, and the inhabitants thereof an hissing: therefore ye shall bear the reproach of my people.

CHAPTER VII.

WOE is me! for I am as ^β when they have gathered the summer fruits, as the grapegatherings^z of the vintage: there is no cluster to eat: my soul desired the firstripe fruit.

2 The ^γgood man is perished^b out of the earth; and there is none upright among men: they all lie in wait for blood; they hunt every man his brother with a net.

B. C. 710.

β or, with.

a Eze. 36. 1, 8.

γ the mischief of his soul.

b Ho. 4. 1.

c Je. 2. 5, 31.

d Je. 9. 4.

e De. 4. 20.

f Nu. XXII.

XXV.

g Is. 8. 17.

h Ho. 5. 11.

i Ps. 37. 24.

Pr. 24. 16.

δ sons of a year.

k Ps. 27. 1.

l Ps. 51. 16.

m He. 12. 6, 7.

n 2 Ki. 3. 27.

o Ps. 37. 6.

ζ belly.

ρ De. 10. 12.

η or, And

thou wilt

see her that

is mine

enemy, and

cover her

with shame.

θ humble

thyself to

walk.

κ she shall be

for a tread-

ing down.

λ or, thy

name shall

see that

which is.

q Mal. 4. 3.

μ or, Is there

yet unto

every man

an house

of the

wicked.

ν measure of

leanmess,

Am. 8. 5.

r Pr. 20. 10, 23

π or, even to.

ρ or, be pure.

σ or, after

that it

hath been.

τ or, rule.

s Ps. 23. 4.

t Ho. 5. 9.

u De. 28. 38. 40

v Ps. 72. 9.

φ or, he doth

much keep

the.

w 1 Ki. 16. 25.

x or, creep-

ing things.

ψ or, aston-

ishment.

z Ex. 34. 6, 7.

y La. 3. 31, 32.

β the gather-

ing of the

summer.

z Ho. 9. 10.

a Ro. 6. 14.

γ or, godly, or

merciful.

b Is. 57. 1.

c Je. 50. 20.

d Lu. 1. 72, 73.

3 That they may do evil with both hands earnestly, the prince asketh, and the judge asketh for a reward; and the great man, he uttereth ^γhis mischievous desire: so they wrap it up.

4 The best of them is as a brier; the most upright is sharper than a thorn hedge: the day of thy watchmen and thy visitation cometh; now shall be their perplexity.

5 Trust^d ye not in a friend, put ye not confidence in a guide; keep the doors of thy mouth from her that lieth in thy bosom.

6 For the son dishonoureth the father, the daughter riseth up against her mother, the daughter in law against her mother in law; a man's enemies are the men of his own house.

7 Therefore^e I will look unto the LORD; I will wait for the God of my salvation; my God will hear me.

8 Rejoice not against me, O mine enemy: when^f I fall, I shall arise; when I sit in darkness, the LORD shall be a light^h unto me.

9 I will bear^m the indignation of the LORD, because I have sinned against him, until he plead my cause and execute judgment for me: he will bring me forth^o to the light, and I shall behold his righteousness.

10 ^η Thou she that is mine enemy shall see it, and shame shall cover her which said unto me, Where is the LORD thy God? mine eyes shall behold her: ^κ now shall she be trodden^a down as the mire of the streets.

11 In the day that thy walls are to be built, in that day shall the decree be far removed.

12 In that day also he shall come even to thee from Assyria, ^π and from the fortified cities, and from the fortress even to the river, and from sea to sea, and from mountain to mountain.

13 ^σ Notwithstanding, the land shall be desolate because of them that dwell therein, for the fruit of their doings.

14 ^τ Feed thy people with thy^s rod, the flock of thine heritage, which dwell solitarily in the wood, in the midst of Carmel: let them feed in Bashan and Gilead, as in the days of old.

15 According to the days of thy coming out of the land of Egypt will I shew unto him marvellous things.

16 The nations shall see and be confounded at all their might: they shall lay their hand upon their mouth, their ears shall be deaf.

17 They shall lick^v the dust like a serpent, they shall move out of their holes like ^xworms of the earth: they shall be afraid of the LORD our God, and shall fear because of thee.

18 Who is a God like unto thee, that pardoneth^z iniquity, and passeth by the transgression of the remnant of his heritage? he retaineth not his anger for ever,^y because he delighteth in mercy.

19 He will turn again, he will have compassion upon us; he will^a subdue our iniquities: and thou wilt cast all their sins^c into the depths of the sea.

20 Thou^d wilt perform the truth to Jacob, and the mercy to Abraham, which thou hast sworn unto our fathers from the days of old.

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